

IN THE CLAIMS:

1.-46. (Cancelled)

47. (Previously Presented) A reproduction apparatus comprising:

an acquire unit operable to acquire, from a recording medium, a graphics stream including a data packet and a control packet,

the data packet including graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, the decode time stamp indicating a start time of a process for decoding of the graphics data, the first presentation time stamp indicating an end time of the process,

the control packet including a second presentation time stamp indicating a presentation time which is at or after the end time;

a processor operable to

(i) start a process for decoding the graphics data at the start time, and

(ii) end the process by the end time; and

a controller operable to write the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane by the presentation time, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

48. (Previously Presented) A reproduction method reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, the reproduction method comprising:

acquiring, from a recording medium, a graphics stream including a data packet and a control packet,

5 the data packet including graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first
presentation time stamp, the decode time stamp indicating a start time of a process for decoding
of the graphics data, the first presentation time stamp indicating an end time of the process,
 the control packet including a second presentation time stamp indicating a
presentation time which-is at or after the end time;
10 starting a process, performed by the processor, for decoding the graphics data at
the start time;
 ending the process by the end time, and
 writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics
plane by the presentation time, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is
15 rendered.

49. (Previously Presented) A recording medium having recorded thereon a graphics
stream, the graphics stream being reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor
and a controller, wherein
 the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and
5 the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first
presentation time stamp, and
 the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the
processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and
 the first presentation tune, stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the
10 control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and

the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

50. (Previously Presented) A recording apparatus for recording a graphics stream on a recording medium, the graphics stream being reproduced, by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, wherein

the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and

5 the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first presentation time stamp, and

the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and

10 the first presentation time stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and

the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics data is rendered.

51. (Currently Amended) A recording method for recording a graphics stream on a recording medium, the graphics stream being, reproduced by a reproduction apparatus including a processor and a controller, wherein the recording method comprising:

a step of generating the graphics stream;

- 5 a step of multiplexing a video stream with the graphics stream; and
 a step of acquiring the recording medium having recorded thereon a digital stream
that is obtained by the multiplexing, wherein
- the graphics stream includes a data packet and a control packet, and
- the data packet includes graphics data and a decode time stamp and a first
- 10 presentation time stamp, and
- the decode time stamp indicates a start time of a process, performed by the
- processor, for decoding of the graphics data, and
- the first presentation time stamp indicates an end time of the process, and the
- control packet includes a second presentation time stamp, and
- 15 the second presentation time stamp indicates a presentation time which is at or
- after the end time of the process, and an end time of writing, performed by the controller, the
- decoded graphics data in a graphics plane, the graphics plane being an area where the graphics
- data is rendered.